## H. R. 2909

## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

June 13, 1996

Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works

## AN ACT

To amend the Silvio O. Conte National Fish and Wildlife Refuge Act to provide that the Secretary of the Interior may acquire lands for purposes of that Act only by donation or exchange, or otherwise with the consent of the owner of the lands.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Silvio O. Conte Na-
- 5 tional Fish and Wildlife Refuge Eminent Domain Preven-
- 6 tion Act".
- 7 SEC. 2. RESTRICTION ON METHOD OF ACQUISITION OF
- 8 LANDS FOR PURPOSES OF THE SILVIO O.
- 9 CONTE NATIONAL FISH AND WILDLIFE REF-
- 10 UGE ACT.
- 11 Section 106 of the Silvio O. Conte National Fish and
- 12 Wildlife Refuge Act (Public Law 102–212; 16 U.S.C.
- 13 668dd note) is amended by adding at the end the following
- 14 new subsection:
- 15 "(e) Restriction on Method of Acquisition.—
- 16 The Secretary may acquire lands in New Hampshire and
- 17 Vermont for purposes of this title only by donation or ex-
- 18 change, or otherwise with the consent of the owner of the
- 19 lands.".

Passed the House of Representatives June 11, 1996.

Attest: ROBIN H. CARLE,

Clerk.